

REMARKS

Objections to the specification

Paragraph [0001] has been objected to because a serial number and filing date are not listed for the referenced related application. Applicant has provided this information by way of amendment, and requests the withdrawal of this objection.

Paragraph [0012] has been objected to because the term “computer-readable medium” is not defined. Applicant has provided a definition by way of amendment, and requests the withdrawal of this objection.

Claim rejections under 35 USC 112

Claim 29 has been rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, because various steps of the method that should be included are not. Applicant has amended claim 29 to more thoroughly recite the method that is claimed, and requests the withdrawal of this rejection.

Claim 1 has been rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, because the data structure is not specified in sufficient detail. Applicant has amended claim 1 to more thoroughly recite the data structure of claim 1, and requests the withdrawal of this rejection.

Claims 17-23 have been rejected under 35 USC 112, second paragraph, because of the inclusion of the term “operable.” Applicant has amended these claims to remove this term, and requests the withdrawal of this rejection.

Status of claims after amendment

Applicant submits that all pending claims are now allowable. Claims 1-4, 8, 17-23, and 29-32 were indicated as being allowable so long as the 35 USC 112 rejections to them were overcome, which has been accomplished as discussed above.

Claims 5-7 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, claim 1, but which were otherwise indicating as being allowable. Applicant submits that this objection has been overcome insofar as the rejection of claim 1 has been overcome.

Claims 9-16 and 24-28 have been allowed.

Conclusion

Applicants have made a diligent effort to place the pending claims in condition for allowance, and request that they so be allowed. However, should there remain unresolved issues that require adverse action, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone Mike Dryja, Applicants' Attorney, at 425-427-5094, so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible. For these reasons, this application is now considered to be in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,



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